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The Honorable Richard L. Armitage
Assistant Secretary of Defense
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Room 4E808, The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Rich:

Thank you for your letter of 21 April 1986 (#I-86/21953) recommending an update of last year's SNIE on Mozambique. The DCI has approved a Memorandum to Holders updating last year's Estimate. I have discussed this matter with Fred Wetters, NIO for Africa, who advises that a proposed Concept Paper and Terms of Reference for a Memorandum to Holders should be distributed to the Intelligence Community within the next few days. The Memorandum to Holders, which is being drafted under Fred's direction by [redacted] CIA's Directorate of Intelligence, will be produced under "fast-track" procedures. Fred expects a draft to be submitted to the National Foreign Intelligence Board before the end of May. The areas of concern you note will be a major part of the new SNIE. [redacted]

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Sincerely,

/s/

Robert M. Gates

cc: Assistant Secretary of State
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